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(As Amended)

"AN ACT CONCERNING GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION."

- After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Section 9-717 of the 2006 supplement to the general
- 4 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
- 5 (*Effective from passage*):
- 6 If a court of competent jurisdiction [prohibits or limits] holds any
- 7 provision of sections 9-700 to 9-716 of the 2006 supplement to the
- 8 general statutes unconstitutional and permanently enjoins the
- 9 expenditure of funds from the Citizens' Election Fund established in
- 10 section 9-701 for grants or moneys for candidate committees
- authorized under sections 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive, [for a period of
- seventy-two hours or more,] (1) sections 1-100b, 9-700 to 9-716,

inclusive, 9-750, 9-751 and 9-760 and section 49 of public act 05-5 of the October 25 special session* shall be inoperative and have no effect, and (2) (A) the amendments made to the provisions of the sections of the general statutes pursuant to public act 05-5 of the October 25 special session** shall be inoperative, (B) the provisions of said sections of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to December 30, 2006, shall be effective, and (C) the provisions of subsections (g) to (j), inclusive, of section 9-333n shall not be implemented.

Sec. 502. (NEW) (Effective December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on or after said date) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, no party committee, legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee, as defined in section 9-333a of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes, shall make an organization expenditure, as defined in subdivision (25) of section 9-333a of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes, for the benefit of the candidate committee of a participating candidate in the Citizens' Election Program for the office of state senator in an amount that exceeds five thousand dollars.

- (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, no party committee, legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee, as defined in section 9-333a of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes, shall make an organization expenditure, as defined in subdivision (25) of section 9-333a of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes, for the benefit of the candidate committee of a participating candidate in the Citizens' Election Program for the office of state representative in an amount that exceeds two thousand five hundred dollars.
- (c) In the event that a statement filed by the campaign treasurer of a party committee, a legislative caucus committee or a legislative leadership committee, in accordance with the provisions of sections 9-333j and 9-333e of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes, includes an organization expenditure for the benefit of the candidate committee for a participating candidate for the office of state senator or state

46 representative, the candidate committee for any participating

- 47 candidate who opposes the candidate that received such benefit shall
- 48 be eligible for a supplemental grant from the Citizens' Election Fund in
- 49 the amount of such organization expenditure.
- 50 (d) The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall adopt 51 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the 52 general statutes, to implement the provisions of subsection (c) of this 53 section.
- Sec. 503. Section 9-705 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on and after said date*):
- (a) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of Governor who has a primary for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the Citizens' Election Fund for the primary campaign in the amount of one million two hundred fifty thousand dollars, provided, in the case of a primary held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.
 - (2) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of Governor who has been nominated shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount of three million dollars, provided in the case of an election held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.
 - (b) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer who has a primary for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the primary campaign in the amount of three hundred seventy-five thousand dollars, provided, in the case of a primary held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

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(2) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer who has been nominated shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount of seven hundred fifty thousand dollars, provided in the case of an election held in 2014, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

(c) (1) The qualified candidate committee of an eligible minor party candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign. If the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least ten per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election.] The amount of the grant shall be [one-third of] the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office. [, provided (A) if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least fifteen per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office, (B) if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least twenty per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the amount of the grant shall be the same as the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office, and (C) in In the case of an election held in 2014, or thereafter, said [amounts] amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

(2) The qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning party candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State

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112 Treasurer shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the 113 general election campaign. [if said candidate's nominating petition has 114 been signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least ten per 115 cent of the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last 116 preceding regular election.] The amount of the grant shall be [one-117 third of the amount of the general election campaign grant under 118 subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party candidate for the 119 same office. [, provided (A) if said candidate's nominating petition has 120 been signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least fifteen 121 per cent of the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the 122 last preceding regular election, the amount of the grant shall be two-123 thirds of the amount of the general election campaign grant under 124 subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party candidate for the 125 same office, (B) if said candidate's nominating petition has been signed 126 by a number of qualified electors equal to at least twenty per cent of 127 the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding 128 regular election, the amount of the grant shall be the same as the 129 amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or 130 (b) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office, and 131 (C) in In the case of an election held in 2014, or thereafter, said 132 [amounts] amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this 133 section.

(d) For elections held in 2014, and thereafter, the amount of the grants in subsections (a), (b) and (c) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15, 2014, and quadrennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on January 1, 2010, and ending on December thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.

(e) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of state senator who has a primary for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the primary

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campaign in the amount of thirty-five thousand dollars, provided (A) if the percentage of the electors in the district served by said office who are enrolled in said major party exceeds the percentage of the electors in said district who are enrolled in another major party by at least twenty percentage points, the amount of said grant shall be seventy-five thousand dollars, and (B) in the case of a primary held in 2010, or thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section. For the purposes of subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, the number of enrolled members of a major party and the number of electors in a district shall be determined by the latest enrollment and voter registration records in the office of the Secretary of the State submitted in accordance with the provisions of section 9-65. The names of electors on the inactive registry list compiled under section 9-35 shall not be counted for such purposes.

- (2) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of state senator who has been nominated shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount of eighty-five thousand dollars, provided in the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.
- (f) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of state representative who has a primary for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the primary campaign in the amount of ten thousand dollars, provided (A) if the percentage of the electors in the district served by said office who are enrolled in said major party exceeds the percentage of the electors in said district who are enrolled in another major party by at least twenty percentage points, the amount of said grant shall be twenty-five thousand dollars, and (B) in the case of a primary held in 2010, or thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section. For the purposes of subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, the number of enrolled members of a major party and the number of electors in a district shall be determined by the latest enrollment and voter registration records in the office of the Secretary of the State

submitted in accordance with the provisions of section 9-65. The names of electors on the inactive registry list compiled under section 9-35 shall not be counted for such purposes.

- (2) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of state representative who has been nominated shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars, provided in the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.
- (g) (1) The qualified candidate committee of an eligible minor party candidate for the office of state senator or state representative shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign. [if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least ten per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election.] The amount of the grant shall be [one-third of] the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office. [, provided (A) if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least fifteen per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office, (B) if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least twenty per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the amount of the grant shall be the same as the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office, and (C) in In the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter, said [amounts] amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.
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party candidate for the office of state senator or state representative shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign. [if said candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least ten per cent of the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding regular election.] The amount of the grant shall be [one-third of] the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office. [, provided (A) if said candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least fifteen per cent of the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding regular election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office, (B) if said candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least twenty per cent of the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding regular election, the amount of the grant shall be the same as the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office, and (C) in In the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter, said [amounts] amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

- (h) For elections held in 2010, and thereafter, the amount of the grants in subsections (e), (f) and (g) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15, 2010, and biennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on January 1, 2008, and ending on December thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.
- (i) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (e), (f) and (g) of this section, in the case of a special election for the office of state senator or state representative, the amount of the grant for a general

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election campaign shall be seventy-five per cent of the amount authorized under the applicable said subsection (e), (f) or (g).

- 249 (j) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) to (i), inclusive, 250 of this section:
- (1) The initial grant that a qualified candidate committee for a candidate is eligible to receive under subsections (a) to (i), inclusive, of this section shall be reduced by the amount of any personal funds that the candidate provides for the candidate's campaign for nomination or election pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-710;
 - (2) If a participating candidate is nominated at a primary and does not expend the entire grant for the primary campaign authorized under subsection (a), (b), (e) or (f) of this section or all moneys that may be received for the primary campaign under section 9-713 or 9-714, the amount of the grant for the general election campaign shall be reduced by the total amount of any such unexpended primary campaign grant and moneys;
 - (3) If a participating candidate who is nominated for election does not have any opponent in the general election campaign, the amount of the general election campaign grant for which the qualified candidate committee for said candidate shall be eligible shall be thirty per cent of the applicable amount set forth in subsections (a) to (i), inclusive; and
 - (4) If the only opponent or opponents of a participating candidate who is nominated for election to an office are eligible minor party candidates or eligible petitioning party candidates and no such eligible minor party candidate's or eligible petitioning party candidate's candidate committee has received a total amount of contributions of any type that is equal to or greater than the amount of the qualifying contributions that a candidate for such office is required to receive under section 9-704 to be eligible for grants from the Citizens' Election Fund, the amount of the general election campaign grant for such participating candidate shall be sixty per cent of the applicable amount

set forth in this section."